

ACAC Grants Committee (GC) (aka Arlington Cultural Council) August 2020 Minutes

August 10, 2020, 7:35-8:40pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom due to COVID 19

Present: Nick Castellano, Becky Holmes-Farley, Co-Chair and Corresponding Secretary; Heidi Kendig, Treasurer; Susan Larson, Recording Secretary; Andrew Conway, Publicity Coordinator; Jeff Timperi, Co-Chair

Scott Samenfeld (arrived 7:38)

Guests: Emily Reynolds

MINUTES

- Confirm Access, Introduce Remote meeting and Provide Instructions Jeff Timperi
 confirmed that everyone had access, introduced the remote meeting and read the online
 meeting instructions from the Town.
- **2. Vote on Approval of July Meeting Minutes** The July Minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to approve the Minutes and it was seconded and approved unanimously. 7-0-0
- 3. Grant-writing Workshop Update Heidi shared the work in progress on the grant application workshop, which will be delivered digitally. Heidi has shared that she is stepping off the ACAC Grants Committee for personal reasons. Jeff announced we will reassign this workshop once we know more about next year's funding. We will select a date to present once the presentation is complete.
- 4. Grantee Updates and Reassignments

Becky: The Cyrus Dallin event will be mid to late September. The Maiytree event is complete and paperwork is filed.

Susan: Arlington Author Salon event will be August 20. Registration to attend is here: https://www.yourarlington.com/events/17594-salon-080620.html

The Vortex Ensemble youtube concert debuted successfully. The ensemble is pursuing more performance venues in town. He discussed the possibility of playing in public spaces but the town did not approve. He is now looking for a large outdoor space with room for 5 players to play safely.

Scott: Delvaney Theater paperwork is complete. The pop up film event for Andrew Buckley is likely to be in September. His paperwork is not yet submitted, and is due by September 30th. This motion to require paperwork by 9/30 was approved unanimously. 7-0-0.

Heidi: Arlington Center for the Arts: in light of not being able to complete their original project due to Covid, they would like to host open studios, with the hope that it will provide opportunities for artists to learn to share and sell their artwork online. The motion was approved unanimously. 7-0-0.

Jeff: Ben Rudnick was planning to play outside, but this is not working out. The project is on hold for now as the pandemic evolves.

Out of Heidi's four projects, two need reassignment. ACA's project will go to Andrew. The Artist's Survival Series will also go to Jeff. ACAC is doing a no-cost extension so will not be transferred.

5. Treasurer Report

Jeff will process the Delvaney payment. Jeff will send out the job description of the treasurer to the committee, which was also shared during the meeting. Until someone else takes on the role, Jeff will fulfill Treasurer duties. Andrew Conley is interested in the role.

6. Corresponding Secretary Report

A community member has contacted us with a request for funding a project.

7. Publicity Update

No update.

8. Discuss Letter of Interest from Potential New Member, Emily Reynolds and VOTE on membership VOTE on membership: Unanimously approved (7-0-0). She will go to the Select Board next.

9. ACAC Operations Plan – Discussion about Grants Committee Coordination:

Discussion about how to create efficiencies for both programs, coordination, and how to have a shared goal. Nick: Caution due to ACAC receiving grant money from the grants committee. Wide agreement to this point. Scott: communication between the groups is important.

10. Discuss Grants Committee Officer Positions Becky is on the committee through October and is willing to stay on long enough to support and train a replacement.

Jeff: The Grants Guidelines committee is working on the new guidelines and will be presented at an upcoming meeting.

We need a new zoom account to hold our meetings, and a new person to take on the responsibility as Heidi steps off. Emily may be able to provide a zoom link. In case this doesn't work, Jeff made a motion to use funds to pay for a zoom account if necessary. VOTE to use funds. Unanimously approved (7-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Submitted by Susan Larson, Recording Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Arlington Author Salon August 20th

Register here: https://www.yourarlington.com/events/17594-salon-080620.html